

I am strongly opposed to any action that permits even more concentration of ownership of the PUBLIC media. The idea of five large corporate bodies such as Viacom, News Corp and similar media conglomerates having an increased ability to achieve cross-ownership of even media outlets in the same major markets is truly a threat to democracy as it is now conceived of. There has been virtually ZERO public discussion of what promises to be a huge corporate give-away IF we alter current ownership regulations in favour of concentration of ownership. Concentration of ownership may be good at achieving levels of 'efficiency' and obtaining a better bottom line for media conglomerates.....however, we must remember that sometimes the bottom line should be freedom of speech and information rather than freedom to make profit and oligopolize/monopolize.

This is very important issue and I am disappointed that there has been no desire on the part of the FCC to foster debate.....are you conflicted in your interests here or what?

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